Highly Erodible Land

Highly erodible land is defined by the Sodbuster, Conservation Reserve, and Conservation Compliance parts of the Food Security Act of 1985 and the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990. Determinations for highly erodible land are based on an erodibility index as defined in the National Food Security Act Manual.

Official lists of highly erodible and potential highly erodible soil map units are maintained in the NRCS - Field Office Technical Guide. Policy and procedures for developing and maintaining the lists are given in part 511 of the National Food Security Act Manual.